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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I can barely afford internet as it is. I need to have competitive prices to choose from. We NEED more competition. I shouldn't have to say this, it should be known because its a very basic thing to understand.

I absolutely encourage the not allowing of gift hikes to the purely greedy that already have enough money!

Broadband is critical to my wife and I, we can't afford to pay more than we have.

Thanks to Sonic, www.sonic.com, we have fiber optic connection. We only had a much slower cable or DSL.

We use Sonic's competitive telephone service. Before, we were with AT&T and could only afford to pay the very basic local calling option, now we can call anywhere we need to without any hidden and extra monthly charges. Is it necessary to take this away from us, who are seniors, living on a fixed income?

Not to mention that rents and the prices for food and products are going sky high that we can barely afford to live within our means.

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